

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete application for the renewal of groundwater discharge permit NEV87046 from the following applicant:

**McGill/Ruth Consolidated Sewer & Water
General Improvement District
29 Fourth Street
McGill, Nevada 89318
White Pine County**

The McGill/Ruth Consolidated Sewer and Water District Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) is located approximately 1.5 miles south of the town of McGill, Nevada in White Pine County. Domestic (sanitary) wastewater is treated biologically in a dual-cell, aerated lagoon. Effluent from the second facultative cell is discharged to groundwater via percolation through six Rapid Infiltration Basins (RIBs). The facility serves approximately 1100 residents, and is currently permitted for 25,000 gallons per day of wastewater. The Division has made the tentative determination to renew the groundwater discharge permit for a period of five (5) years, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on **June 21, 2004**, either in person or by mail to:

**Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
333 West Nye Lane
Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. **June 21, 2004** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The Notice of Proposed Action and the Fact Sheet for this permit are available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684.